Central Consumers Protection Council

3465. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had constituted the Centra! Consumers Protection Council under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986;

(b) if so, what are the areas which have been given representation in the said Council and the details of its composition; and

(c) what are the powers and facilities being enjoyed by the representatives of this Council?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALU DDIN AHMED): (a) to (c): The Central Consumer Protection Council had been constituted under the chairmanship of Minister ineharge of Ministry of Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs & Public Distribution. The Council consist of 150 members. Various categories such as Members of Parliament, State Civil Supplies Ministers, representatives of Central Government Departments and autonomous organisations, representatives of consumer organisations, women, farmers, trade and industry etc. have been give representations in the Council. The Council is advisory in nature. The non official members of the Council arc entitled to first class to and for railway fare and a daily allowance of Rs.100 per day for attending the meetings of the Central Council or any working group. Members of Parliament are entitled to travelling and daily allowances as per rates admissible to them.

Non-plan expenditure of Super Bazar

3466. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that non-plan expenditure allocated for Super Bazar for
1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 is decreasing;

(b) whether the expansion and modernisation work of Super Bazar is likely to be adversely affected as a result thereof;

(c) the proposed non-plan expenditure allocated for 1994-95 for Super Bazar;

(d) the proposed expansion programme formulated by Super Bazar during 1994-95; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALU-DDIN AHMED): (a) No Non-plan budget is allocated to Super Bazar by the Government.

(b) Expansion and modernisation of Super Bazar is an on-going exercise and Super Bazar is expected to undertake these activities as per the availability of their own resources. However, Government provides some financial assistance for the purpose under the plan schemes to supplement their efforts.

(c) There is no proposal to allocate any
non-plan expenditure for Super Bazar during the year 1994-95.

(d) Super Bazar has furnished proposals requesting for financial assistance of Rs. 207 lakhs during the current financial year *i.e.* 1994-95 for implementation of the various programmes/schemes which includes opening of branches, purchase of delivery
vans, computerization, renovation and modernisation of branches, introduction